

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings of claims in the applications:

**Listing of Claims:**

I claim:

1. (Currently Amended) A syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, comprising:

a. a ~~cylindrical shaped~~ body with longitudinally aligned cavity formed therein; said body including a finger gripping section;

b. a removable cap selectively attachable to said body, said cap including an inward extending aligned neck;

c. a bushing longitudinally aligned and located inside said cavity, said bushing including a cylindrical shaped void area capable of receiving said neck on said removable cap, said bushing includes a stop surface formed inside said void area; ~~and;~~

d. a spring nut located inside said void area of said bushing, said spring nut including a center bore that engages the tip of a needle cap with inserted therein; ~~and;~~

2. (Currently Amended) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, as recited in Claim 1, wherein said finger ~~gripping~~ gripping member that allows said body to be held between a user's finger so that said cavity is located above the top surface of the user's fingers.

3. (Original) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device as recited in Claim 2, wherein said body and said finger gripping member are longitudinally aligned so that when a user's fingers engage said finger gripping member, said cylindrical body extends upward

1 substantially perpendicular to the top surface of the fingers used to hold said device.

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3 4. (Original) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, as recited in Claim 1,  
4 wherein said bushing is made of radiation shielding material.

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6 5. (Original) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, as recited in Claim 2,  
7 wherein said bushing is made of radiation shielding material.

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9 6. (Original) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping, as recited in Claim 3, wherein  
10 said bushing is made of radiation shielding material.

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12 7. (Original) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device as recited in Claim 1,  
13 wherein said body and said finger gripping member are made of molded rubber.

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15 8. (Currently Amended) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device as recited in  
16 Claim 1, further including ~~a ring attached to said body having~~ internal threads formed on said  
17 cavity and said cap including external threads that selectively interconnect to attached said  
18 cap to said body.

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20 9. (Original) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device as recited in Claim 1,  
21 wherein said neck is an adaptor removably attached to said cap.

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23 10. (Currently Amended) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping ~~eapping~~ device, as

1 recited in Claim 9, further including a bushing made of  
2 radiation shielding material.

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4 11. (Original) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device as recited in Claim 1,  
5 wherein said body and said finger gripping member are perpendicularly aligned so that when  
6 a user's fingers engage said finger gripping member, said cylindrical body extends  
7 transversely over the top surface of the user's fingers.

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9 12. (Original) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, as recited in Claim 11,  
10 wherein said bushing is made of radiation shielding material.

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12 13. (Original) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, as recited in Claim 1,  
13 when said finger gripping member is conical.

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15 14. (Currently Amended) A syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, comprising:

- 16 a. a cylindrical body with longitudinally aligned bushing cavity formed therein;  
17 b. a t-shaped finger griping member longitudinally aligned and formed on said body  
18 capable of being engaged between two fingers on a user's hand;  
19 c. a removable cap attached to said cylindrical body to selectively close said cavity,  
20 said removable cap including a small opening capable of receiving a needle cap;  
21 d. a bushing located inside said cavity formed in said body; said bushing including a  
22 void area; and,  
23 e. a spring nut located inside said void area of said bushing capable to engaging the

1 tip of a needle cap when inserted through said small opening on said removable cap and into  
2 said void area in said bushing.

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4 15. (Currently Amended) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, as recited  
5 in Claim 14, wherein said bushing is made of a radiation shielding material.

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7 16. (Currently Amended) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device as recited in  
8 Claim 14, further including an adapter attached to said cap that extends into said bushing to  
9 hold said spring nut inside said bushing.

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11 17. (Currently Amended) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, as recited  
12 in Claim 16, wherein said bushing is made of radiation shielding material.

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14 18. (Currently Amended) A syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, comprising:

- 15 a. a cylindrical body with longitudinally aligned cavity formed therein;
- 16 b. a t-shaped finger ~~gripping~~ gripping member located on one side of said body
- 17 capable of being engaged between two fingers on a user's hand;
- 18 c. a removable cap attached to said body to selectively close said cavity, said
- 19 removable cap including a small opening capable of receiving a needle cap;
- 20 d. a bushing located inside said cavity formed in said body said bushing including a
- 21 void area; and,
- 22 e. a spring nut located inside said void area of said bushing capable to engaging the
- 23 tip of a needle cap when inserted through said small opening on said removable cap and into

1 said void area in said bushing.

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3 19. (Currently Amended) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping ~~capping~~ device, as  
4 recited in Claim 18, wherein said bushing is made of radiation material.

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6 20. (Currently Amended) The syringe needle de-capping and re-capping device, as recited  
7 in Claim 18, wherein said bushing is made of radiation shielding material.